

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

LUO *et al.*

Application No.: 10/679,324

Filed: October 7, 2003

For: **Method and System for Active  
Purging of Pellicle Volumes**

Confirmation No.: 2673

Art Unit: 2851

Examiner: Whitesell Gordon, Steven H.

Atty. Docket: 1857.2110000

**Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating the allowability of claims 1-17, 23, 26-28 and 30-33, in the Notice of Allowance dated July 7, 2009.

**Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance**

Applicants note the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance presented on page 2 of the Notice of Allowance. Applicants reserve the right to demonstrate claims 1-17, 23, 26-28 and 30-33 are allowable over the art made of record for further reasons related to any of their recited features. Applicants further contend that reservation of this right does not give rise to any implication regarding whether the Applicants agree with or acquiesce in the reasoning provided by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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